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- 1. In June 1952, the P'yongyang Railroad Control Department, which was in the P'yongyang area (from YD-351240 to YD-344237 and from YD-351240 to YD-345242), was housed in five semi-cave office buildings, one brick building, twenty civilian houses, and a number of underground air-raid shelters.
- 2. The chief of the department was KIM In-kap (6855/0088/3946), aged 45, a primary school graduate. KIM, formerly station master of Sungho-ri (125-58, 38-59) (YD-5719), Labor Party cell chairman in the Railroad Control Department, and chief of the Transportation Bureau of the Hamhung Railroad Control Department (CV-7528), was appointed to his latest position in August 1950. The vice chief of the department was YI Ko-chong, aged 36, a native of Hamhung and a college graduate.
- 3. The P'yongyang Railroad Control Department, which is subordinate to the Ministry of Railroads, is indirectly under the guidance of the Political Bureau of the ministry's branch of the Labor Party and of the Political Department of the Labor Party, with which 60 percent of the employees of the Railroad Control Department are affiliated.
- 4. Under the P'yongyang Railroad Control Department are the following bureaus: Maintenance of Ways and Works, Operations, Transportation, Electricity, Labor, Staff Personnel, Finance, Administration, Planning, Freight and Passenger Car, Train Director, Train, Rear Area, Cultural, and Public Health.

Sariwon Branch of the P'yongyang Railroad Control Department

5. In June 1952, the offices of the Sariwon (125-45, 38-30) (YC-4064) Branch of the P'yongyang Railroad Control Department were in a mountain cave 1.2 kilo-

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meters southwest of the Sariwon Railroad Station. The cave, construction of which was begun in March 1952, had a maximum capacity of 400 persons and accommodated most of the important branches of the railroad, such as the office of the Sariwon Branch Department, the offices of the Chinese Communist army representatives for locomotive engineers and transportation, the marshalling yard control office, the telephone exchange, personnel office, and Chinese Communist rail and signal soldiers' offices. During normal times, about 80 Chinese Communist troops and 50 North Korean army personnel worked in the shelter.

- 6. All telegraphic communications concerning rail movements in the P'yongyang, Sariwon, and Sinmak (126-14, 38-25) (BT-5855) area were channelled through these offices, and special direct telephone service was installed. Electric facilities were complete, and carbide was provided for use when electricity was unavailable.
- 7. The shelter entrance was guarded by three or four Chinese Communist soldiers, who were not armed during the day. Unauthorized personnel were forbidden in the area.

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